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In the Application of Not Assigned Examiner: JAMES E. HEBERT Group Art Unit: 2681 RECEIVED REDUNDANT COMMUNICATION ADAPTER SYSTEM FOR CONNECTING) MAR 1 3 2002 A CLIENT TO AN FDDI NETWORK Technology Center 2600 Serial No.: 09/932,553) (Our Docket No. 5160-08) August 17, 2001 Filed on:

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5,805,803 5,826,029	Secure Web Tunnel Secured Gateway Interface	09-08-1998 10-20-1998
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6,065,087	Overhead on a Proxied Connection Architecture for a High-Performance	12-21-1999
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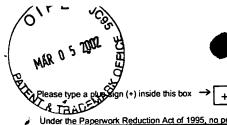
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